

Background Only
Do Not Reproduce

CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

SECRET

Indigo-1

CITY

BELL 6

COP, ACC/A, C/WH, BELL S/C

APR 19 61 - C-53 22

PRIORITY

IN 4459

BELL HAVE CITE MEXI 7873

AT A BELL 2218 (out - 5/64)

B MEXI 7830 (UN 10/30)

1. RE REF A PARA 3 MEXI STRONGLY RECOMMENDS CONSIDERATION LITANIL-3
RETAIN DIPLOMATIC POST MEXI FOR FOL REASONS:

- A. EXCELLENT COOPERATION SINCE REF C.
- B. MORE THAN 30 YEARS DIPLOMATIC EXPERIENCE.
- C. GOOD RAPPORT WITH MEXICAN OFFICIALS.
- D. HIS FRIENDSHIP WITH U.S. AMB THOMAS MANN (EL SALV TOGETHER).
- E. REPORTION COLD WILL FOL

F. CLANDESTINE ACTIVITIES HAVE PUT HIM IN COMPROMISING POSITION.

G. BOTH "CUTOUTS" LITANIL-1 AND LITANIL-2 HAVE HIS FULL
CONFIDENCE AND HIS DESIRE HAVE ODDONE "THIS SIDE" GIVES CO GOOD RAPPORT
AND "WEDGE".

2. LITANIL-3 HAS BEEN ANXIOUS "GET OUT" END FOR CONSIDERABLE
TIME BUT HAS "STAYED IN PLACE" AT STATION REQUEST. STATION BELIEVES
RETENTION LITANIL-3 WOULD VINDICATE HIM EYES ANTI-CASTROIDS WHO
NOT AWARE CLANDESTINE COOPERATION AND SOLVE DISPOSAL PROBLEM.

REQUEST HQS AND HAVE COMMENTS SUGGEST RE ABOVE.

(END OF MESSAGE)

C/S COMMENT: *DISSEMINATION APPLICABLE TO REYAT UNZIP CABLES.

*VIA LICARI WOULD BRIEF AND/1 AND/2 ON SITUATION AND TRY LEARN CONTENT LETTER
TO AND/1 FROM MEXICAN PREPARED/1 WOULD BE ADVISED AS SOON AS DECISION
REACHED.

SECRET

REPRODUCTION BY OTHER THAN THE ISSUING OFFICE IS PROHIBITED.

Copy No.